

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the abstract of US 2007-0276400 A1 (the subject application's publication) with the following amended paragraph:

A drill guide assembly includes a drill guide having a sleeve and a bulb at one end of the sleeve, A frame includes a housing which defines a recess in which the drill guide bulb can be received with the drill guide sleeve extending out of the recess so that the angular orientation of the drill guide sleeve relative to the housing can be adjusted by movement of the bulb within the recess. The drill guide can be locked relative to the housing against angular adjustment.

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section headings on page 1, after DRILL GUIDE ASSEMBLY and before paragraph [0001] :

**"BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**Field of the Invention"**

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section heading after paragraph [0003] and before paragraph [0004]

**"Description of Related Art"**

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section heading after paragraph [0004] and before paragraph [0005]:

**"BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION"**

Please replace the paragraph [0011] of US 2007-0276400 A1 (the subject application's publication) with the following amended paragraph:

[0011] The drill guide assembly of the invention allows the alignment of the drill guide sleeve relative to the bone axis to be ~~finalised~~ finalized after fixing the assembly to the bone. The fixing of the assembly to the bone does not therefore have to be performed accurately because the final alignment of the drill guide sleeve is achieved after fixation, made possible by the translation of the drill guide sleeve relative to the frame when the locking mechanism is in its unlocked position.

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section heading after paragraph [0030] and before paragraph [0031]

“BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS”

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section heading after paragraph [0035] and before paragraph [0036]

“DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION”

Please replace the paragraph [0041] of US 2007-0276400 A1 (the subject application's publication) with the following amended paragraph:

[0041] The bulb 18 on the sleeve ~~44~~16 is received in a recess 20 in a housing 22. The internal surface 23 of the recess which faces towards the bone has a generally rounded shape.

Please replace the paragraph [0049] of US 2007-0276400 A1 (the subject application's publication) with the following amended paragraph:

[0049] FIG. 4 also shows details of the lock mechanism by which the drill guide can locked against translation across the frame. The platform 12 from which each of the legs 68 depend has an opening 52 in it in which the housing 22 is located. The opening 52 is larger than the housing, allowing the housing to translate across the platform: as shown in FIG. 3, translation occurs in a direction which is perpendicular to the plane of the drawing.

In Publication US 2007-0276400A1 (the subject application's publication), please insert the following new section heading after paragraph [0055] and before the claims:

**"CLAIMS"**